

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 1-19 without prejudice.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application.

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1-19. (canceled)

20. (new) A method comprising:

receiving at a computer a report from outside counsel;

identifying a business practice to which the report is relevant;

evaluating the report relative to the business practice to determine whether the report is indicative of a risk of litigation;

determining that the business practice presents a significant risk of litigation; and

issuing an alert that identifies the business practice as a significant risk of litigation.

21. (new) The method of claim 20, further comprising:

logging the alert in a database.

22. (new) The method of claim 21, further comprising:

updating the database to indicate that corrective action has been taken relative to the logged alert.

23. (new) The method of claim 22, further comprising:

confirming that the corrective action remains in place.

24. (new) An article of manufacture comprising:

a computer usable medium having computer readable program code means embodied therein, the computer readable program code means in said article of manufacture comprising:

computer readable program code means for receiving a report from outside counsel; and

computer readable program code means for logging an alert in a database, the alert identifying a business practice as a significant risk of litigation, the report having been evaluated relative to the business practice to determine whether the report is indicative of a risk of litigation.

25. (new) The article of manufacture of claim 24, wherein the computer readable program code means in said article of manufacture further comprises:

computer readable program code means for updating the database to indicate that corrective action has been taken relative to the logged alert.

26. (new) A computer program product comprising:

a computer usable medium having computer readable program code means embodied in said medium, said computer program product having:

computer readable program code means for receiving a report from outside counsel; and

computer readable program code means for logging an alert in a database, the alert identifying a business practice as a significant risk of litigation, the report having been evaluated relative to the business practice to determine whether the report is indicative of a risk of litigation.

27. (new) The computer program product of claim 26, further comprising:

computer readable program code means for updating the database to indicate that corrective action has been taken relative to the logged alert.

28. (new) A computer system programmed to:

receive a report from outside counsel; and

log an alert in a database, the alert identifying a business practice as a significant risk of litigation, the report having been evaluated relative to the business practice to determine whether the report is indicative of a risk of litigation.

29. (new) The computer system of claim 28, further programmed to:

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update the database to indicate that corrective action has been taken relative to the logged alert.